

FUNSTON'S REPORT CITES HIGH TENSION ALONG THE BORDER

Killing of Mexican Official by Cavalryman Shows Danger of Clash.

OFFICIALS PESSIMISTIC
OF PEACEFUL OUTCOME

Say Each New Affray Brings Nearer the General Fight They Think Inevitable.

TROOPERS ARE ON THE ALERT

Are Frequently Fired On and Take No Chances When They Encounter Armed Men Across the Boundary.

A definite statement of just how tight the tension has become between United States soldiers and Carranza troops on the Mexican border was sent to Washington late last night by Gen. Funston, in a telegram reporting the shooting of a Mexican customs inspector and a companion at Ysleta, Tex., by an American cavalryman, and, while the adjournment of the House of Representatives over the Fourth of July made it highly improbable that the crisis between the two governments will come to a final issue before Wednesday, officials here grow more and more pessimistic as each new border affray is reported.

The telegram from Gen. Funston quoted Gen. Bell as saying, in connection with the Ysleta incident:

"Mexicans have frequently fired upon parties on this side, and the American soldier has reason to put no faith in an armed man who acts suspiciously on the opposite bank."

Much Depends on Carranza.

Gen. Funston says in his own report on this case:

"It is easy to understand conditions existing along the border and the possibility of our men being killed when armed Mexicans threaten to shoot at them."

This condition of high-strung tension was the outstanding feature in the Mexican situation last night, both in Washington and on the border. Despite growing impatience over Gen. Carranza's delay in complying with United States demands that he state the intentions toward American troops in Mexico under Gen. Pershing, President Wilson made no move yesterday toward laying the situation before Congress. Officials believe that the tension will continue for several days, and that the President will wait for a reply to the note sent a week ago today, provided there are no further attacks upon American troops.

Expected to Reaffirm Orders.

The rumored movement of Mexican troops, however, appears to be in line with the decision Gen. Carranza is said by private dispatches to have adopted. It is predicted that he will give orders to allow no operations of American forces on Mexican soil, except toward the border, in the reply to the United States note he is reported to be preparing. It was the order to this effect that Gen. Pershing, commanding the Chihuahua state, issued in the present crisis its most ominous aspect, and which Secretary Lansing, in his demand on Carranza a week ago, defined as a hostile act, tersely asking the defiant government if the order should be so construed.

Report of Gen. Funston.

\$2,000,000 IN RELIEF GETS VOICE

House's Approval, by 279 to 2, Given After Brief Debate on Hay Bill Provisions.

SOLE RESPONSIBILITY PUT
UPON SECRETARY OF WAR

Provides Official Shall Designate Dependent Families of National Guardsmen to Receive Aid.

Two million dollars for the relief of dependent families of national guardsmen is provided in the Hay bill, which passed the House yesterday by a vote of 279 to 2, the dissenters being Representative James of Michigan and Representative Small of North Carolina.

The measure puts the sole responsibility for the fund and its administration in the hands of the Secretary of War. He will designate what families shall receive this aid, and from his decision there shall be no appeal. The bill specified a maximum of \$50 a month for each family.

Before the bill was taken up for consideration Representative Garland of New York endeavored to amend the bill so that a separate vote might be taken on the proposition to excuse from service guardsmen whose families needed them.

The New Orleans representative was unsuccessful in this, but managed to express himself forcibly in favor of writing into the bill some method by which guardsmen whose families suffer because of their service in the regular forces could retire from the service.

As the matter now stands, according to a letter received by Representative Dupre from Adjt. Gen. Cain, there is no way for guardsmen to get out of the service. The exemption proposition was introduced in the Senate, but was never before the House.

Two Members Clash.

The debate on the Hay bill was brief and unimportant except for the clash between two members of the North Carolina delegation, Representatives Stedman and Small. The latter member, one of the two voting against the measure, made a vigorous speech against it, saying in part:

"Now that we have this question concretely presented in a separate bill, I feel free to voice my opposition to it and to express the reasons which actuate me. I am not at all in favor of the sentiment behind the members of this House in favor of this bill. I realize that the bill is an appeal to patriotism, but I insist, whether right or wrong, that we should also appeal to the cool, sober judgment of ourselves and of the American people, and that this bill is not in the interest of real patriotism."

This bill involves an unwarranted and unnecessary expenditure. No man can prophesy the amount that will be expended in the execution of the bill applicable to the National Guard. In the debate at the other end of the Capitol it was estimated that the bill would cost the members of the guard would make application under such a law for the sum of \$2,000,000. If you take 10 to 25 per cent of the 100,000 pay 10 per cent, 10,000 out of the 100,000, it is supposed the National guard will furnish, you have \$6,000,000 annually required to support them. If we passed a law to the effect that we would take care of the families of the guard, we would be appropriating \$2,000,000. Now, for some reason not explained by the committee, it has been decided to take care of them by all sincerity, why has it been increased? What is the basis upon which the increase is made? And upon what member say that the amount named in this bill is sufficient for the purpose?"

Speaks for Regular Army.

Chairman Hay of the military affairs committee said that \$2,000,000 would be sufficient until the next session of Congress. Representative Small then called attention to the fact that no similar legislation has been considered for the regular army.

By the end of any such legislation at this time," said Mr. Small, "it will be the demoralization and disorganization of the regular army. Some weeks ago we passed a bill increasing the regular army by 20,000 men, calling for volunteers to enlist. It has been stated that just to this time less than 12,000 of the 20,000 men asked for have enlisted, although strenuous efforts have been made to secure them. If this bill is passed, it will have a tendency to make it impossible to secure the part of our citizens to enlist in the regular army and that it will increase the number of volunteers who will be insufficient to make up the larger army which has been authorized by the National guard defense act."

"This bill does not provide for volunteers. Gentlemen may say 'if volunteers are necessary, we will meet the question when we reach it,' but I contend that it ought to be reached now. It is the time to perfect such legislation as will be applicable to every phase of this necessity which is laid upon us, and it is undeniably in time of war will exist."

Calis Law Inconsistent.

OBREGON COUNTERS CARRANZA'S WAR ALONG THE BORDER

Carranza's War Minister Strengthens Forces Opposite American Garrisons.

MEXICANS CONCENTRATE
THEIR UNITS AT GUZMAN

National Guardsmen Arriving at Boundary Rapidly and Going Into Camp Awaiting Assignment.

TWO U. S. SAILORS WOUNDED

Men From Cruiser Salem Suffer in Clash With Armed Force at Tampico. Passengers From Vera Cruz Report.

SAN ANTONIO, Tex., July 1.—While the War Department today was moving into the frontier thousands of the national guardsmen, Gen. Obregon, Carranza's minister of war, was engaged in strengthening his border army. Minor changes were directed by him in his armies in almost all the northern cities, except a few that lie under the American guns, according to information that reached the intelligence department at Fort Sam Houston.

It was another day without news of any clashes between Mexican and American troops that face each other across the line, but almost all information obtainable indicated that Mexican army officers were convinced that war was practically inevitable.

Mexicans Concentrated at Guzman.

One of Gen. Pershing's aviators investigated reports that Mexican troops had been concentrated at Guzman, and that they even had begun a march toward the American lines, but this report showed the improbability of immediate action from that quarter. He flew over Guzman, which is east of the line Gen. Pershing has established, and reported that the number of Mexican troops now there appeared not more than 2,000, and that apparently no operations for an early move were being made. Strong forces have been distributed along lines paralleling his positions, both on the east and west, but Gen. Funston and his staff officers continued to believe that Pershing could take care of himself if the Mexicans did begin to close in.

Increased caution was displayed at many headquarters today, and the movement toward the border of the National Guardsmen. Agents of the Department of Justice were in the field, and the military in efforts to learn of any plot to interfere with the movement of trains, and soldier guards were stationed along the railroads that stretch through the southern part of Texas. Every guard carried an unlimited amount of ammunition, and the orders that had been given were definite and drastic.

By the end of the week those in charge of the mobilization believe that it will be almost completed. Without hitch and without having to call upon the military in any way, the American railroads were moving the trains to their destination, and reports to the quartermaster department indicated the likelihood that there would be no congestion in the traffic.

1st Illinois First in Camp.

The 1st Illinois was the first regiment to enter into camp here, and it was expected that by tomorrow the 2d and 7th, completing the 1st Brigade, commanded by Gen. P. J. Foster, would be here. The 7th, 71st and 14th New York Infantry passed through San Antonio today on the way to the Brownsville district. Other New York regiments, the 1st, 2d, 3d, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st, 32nd, 33rd, 34th, 35th, 36th, 37th, 38th, 39th, 40th, 41st, 42nd, 43rd, 44th, 45th, 46th, 47th, 48th, 49th, 50th, 51st, 52nd, 53rd, 54th, 55th, 56th, 57th, 58th, 59th, 60th, 61st, 62nd, 63rd, 64th, 65th, 66th, 67th, 68th, 69th, 70th, 71st, 72nd, 73rd, 74th, 75th, 76th, 77th, 78th, 79th, 80th, 81st, 82nd, 83rd, 84th, 85th, 86th, 87th, 88th, 89th, 90th, 91st, 92nd, 93rd, 94th, 95th, 96th, 97th, 98th, 99th, 100th, 101st, 102nd, 103rd, 104th, 105th, 106th, 107th, 108th, 109th, 110th, 111th, 112th, 113th, 114th, 115th, 116th, 117th, 118th, 119th, 120th, 121st, 122nd, 123rd, 124th, 125th, 126th, 127th, 128th, 129th, 130th, 131st, 132nd, 133rd, 134th, 135th, 136th, 137th, 138th, 139th, 140th, 141st, 142nd, 143rd, 144th, 145th, 146th, 147th, 148th, 149th, 150th, 151st, 152nd, 153rd, 154th, 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